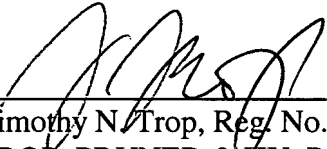


REMARKS

To the extent that the examiner's application at *sua sponte* canceling the claims was proper, the following response reasserts the claims and narrows the claims to the claims that were reversed on appeal. Therefore the claims should now be in condition for allowance. This response does not admit the propriety of the *sua sponte* cancellation.

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